



**Estranged
Students:**
(Widening)
Participation
Postcards



Estranged Students: (Widening) Participation Postcards

Our 'Estranged Students' project aims to understand the challenges faced by estranged students. Funded by the Carnegie Trust and the Society for Research into Higher Education (SRHE), work is already informing policy, to ensure these students feel as 'at home' and connected as their classmates.

Our research found experiences of homelessness and financial hardship. Many interviewees felt unable to socialize with other students, fearing questions on,

'What does your family do?',
'Do you have siblings?',
'Are your parents visiting you?'

To be on the outside of typical family experience can be isolating, lonely and stigmatising.

Estranged students are now being recognized as a new category of 'widening participation', in admissions policies, and in UCAS entry forms.

This is just one important way forward, and we urge more action on targeting isolation, stigma and a lack of resources.

Being careful not to assume all students have families may make estranged students feel more seen and supported.

The following postcard messages were produced in our various workshops, conferences and seminars and are intended as training, support and information resources.

Read our illustrated guide here:

<https://pureportal.strath.ac.uk/en/publications/estranged-students-illustrating-the-issues>

Play our 'Estrangement Challenge' board game here:

https://pure.strath.ac.uk/ws/portalfiles/portal/90590639/Taylor_et_al_2019_The_estrangement_challenge.pdf

Read our publications here:

Costa, C., Taylor, Y., Ecochard, S., & Goodfellow, C. (2019) 'Estranged students in higher education: navigating social and economic capitals.'

Cambridge Journal of Education 50: 107–123.

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POSTCARD

DEAR STUDENTS,
YOU ARE NOT ALONE. YOU ARE PART
OF A LARGER GROUP WITH A MASSIVE
VOICE. NEVER BE AFRAID TO LET YOUR
VOICE BE HEARD. THE VOICE OF THE
MANY WILL INFLUENCE AND ENCOURAGE
THE FEW, TO LISTEN AND TO SUPPORT
YOU. ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS MAKE
YOURSELF HEARD.

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DEAR STUDENT,
DO YOU SOMETIMES FEEL
UNIVERSITY IS A STRANGE SPACE?
ME TOO! KNOW THAT MY STUDENTS
AND STAFF EXPERIENCE A LESS
THAN STRAIGHTFORWARD ROUTE
THROUGH UNIVERSITY. YOU ARE
ENTITLED TO BE HERE, UNIVERSITY
IS FOR YOU, ACCESS THE SUPPORTS
OUT THERE AND FEEL ENTITLED TO
IT. BE IN TOUCH WITH WP TEAMS,
STUDENT UNIONS AND TUTORS.

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DEAR STUDENT,
IT WILL BE OKAY, JUST HANG ON IN
THERE. FILL YOUR TIME BEING
PRODUCTIVE, DO ONE LITTLE THING
AT A TIME. DON'T BE TOO HARD ON
YOURSELF. THERE'S A REALLY GOOD
BOOK ENTITLED, "THE HIERARCHY OF
NEEDS", WHERE YOU CAN REFLECT
ON THE THINGS YOU DO NEED AND
DON'T. NOT EVERYTHING YOU LOSE IS
A LOSS. GIVE IT A TRY :)

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DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
THINK ABOUT ESTRANGEMENT AS
A CONTINUUM WHICH IS DYNAMIC AND
FLUID AND CAN CHANGE OVER TIME,
NOT JUST A BINARY EVENT.

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DEAR STUDENT,
YOUR UNIVERSITY DEGREE IS A
LONG, HARD ROAD TO PURSUE ON
YOUR OWN, BUT ONCE UNI BEGINS
YOU WILL NOT BE ALONE. YOU
ARE GUARANTEED TO MEET NEW
FRIENDS ALONG THE WAY WHO
WILL HELP YOU TO ACHIEVE
ANYTHING YOU SET OUT TO DO,
AND THE UNIVERSITY HAS A HUGE
RANGE OF SUPPORT AND
RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU IF
YOU KNOW WHERE TO LOOK.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
KEEP DOING ALL THE GREAT WORK
IN SUPPORTING ESTRANGED
STUDENTS AND DEVELOPING
NEW INITIATIVES TO MAKE
THEIR LIVES EASIER AND MORE
CONNECTED TO OTHERS.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
MAKE ACCOMMODATION AFFORDABLE
AS A WAY OF GIVING STABILITY TO
STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE
ANYWHERE ELSE TO STAY
(AND OUTSIDE THE TEACHING PERIOD).

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
ESTRANGEMENT MIGHT BE A MOVING
IDENTITY RATHER THAN A FIXED
ONE. THERE ARE NO TWO
EXPERIENCES THAT ARE THE SAME.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
NO ONE SOLUTION WILL WORK
FOR EVERYONE, BUT HAVING
MANY SUPPORT MECHANISMS IN
PLACE CAN HELP CATCH MOST
PEOPLE WHO FEEL ESTRANGED.
MONEY, EMOTIONAL &
ACCOMMODATION HELP WOULD
BE MY TOP 3 SUPPORTS THAT
NEED TO BE IN PLACE.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
REMIND ESTRANGED STUDENTS THAT
THEY'RE NOT ALONE AND TACKLE
ISOLATION AND STIGMA.
ESTRANGEMENT IS NOT JUST
BETWEEN A PARENT AND CHILD.
THINK ABOUT USING 'INDEPENDENT
STUDENTS' INSTEAD OF 'ESTRANGED'.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY, AND LOCAL
AUTHORITIES, AND GOVERNMENT,
I THINK FOR ALL ESTRANGED
STUDENTS TO BE ABLE TO GET THE FINANCIAL
SUPPORT THAT THEY SO NEED TO ENABLE
THEM TO NOT FEEL THE PRESSURE DURING
THEIR STUDIES - IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU
WORK TOGETHER. PROVIDING FINANCIAL
SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND
OFFERING A HEAVILY REDUCED ACCOMMODATION
FEE COULD ELIMINATE THE POTENTIAL RISK OF
HOMELESSNESS, WHICH WOULD SUPPORT THEM.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF LECTURERS
AND SUPPORT STAFF KNEW MORE
ABOUT ESTRANGEMENT. MAKE IT
EASIER FOR STUDENTS TO DISCLOSE.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT
ESTRANGED STUDENTS. WE
SHOULD HAVE THE SAME
OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE A GOOD
LIFE FOR OURSELVES TOO.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE ADVOCATE FOR ESTRANGED
STUDENTS TO GET APPROPRIATE
THERAPEUTIC SUPPORT TO HELP WITH
THE EMOTIONAL IMPACT OF
ESTRANGEMENT.

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DEAR STUDENT,
THIS CARD IS TO BRING YOU A WEE
MESSAGE OF SUPPORT. IT MAY NOT ALWAYS FEEL
LIKE IT, BUT YOU ARE DOING AMAZINGLY WELL.
YOU'VE MADE IT TO UNIVERSITY, YOU ARE
INDEPENDENT AND YOU ARE CAPABLE OF
INCREDIBLE THINGS! YOUR JOURNEY SO FAR WILL
HAVE BEEN TOUGH AND WE ADMIRE YOUR
STRENGTH. AS A UNIVERSITY, WE WANT TO
SUPPORT YOU ALONG THE REST OF YOUR JOURNEY.
IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU NEED, THE WIDENING
ACCESS TEAM CAN HELP, AS CAN THE WELLBEING
SERVICES AND FINANCIAL SERVICES.



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DEAR STUDENT,
I KNOW IT CAN BE EMBARRASSING
AND DAUNTING, BUT YOU ARE NOT
ALONE AND THE UNIVERSITY WILL
SUPPORT YOU.

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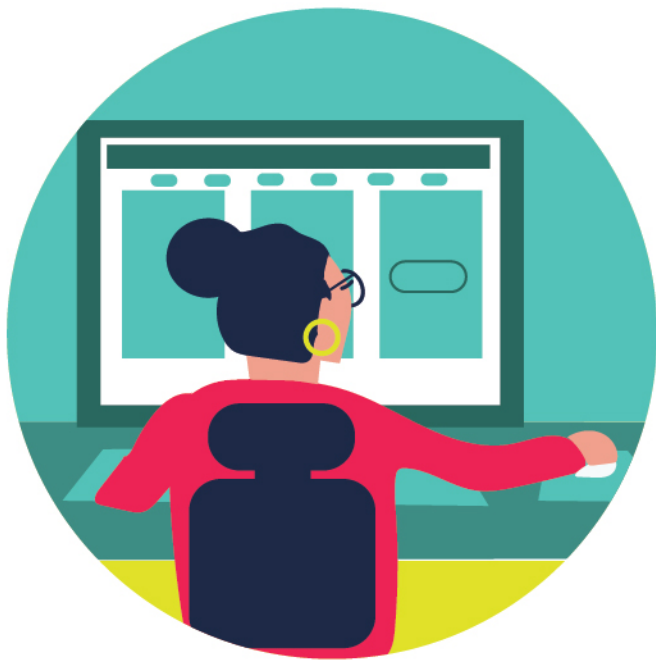
DEAR STUDENT,
IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW YOU ARE
NOT ALONE. YOU CAN'T HANDLE
EVERYTHING ON YOUR OWN, ASK
FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT.
MAKE TIME FOR FRIENDS
AMONGST THE STUDYING.



POSTCARD

DEAR STUDENT,
I WOULD LIKE TO WRITE, THAT BEING
AN ESTRANGED STUDENT IS NOTHING
TO BE ASHAMED OF AND IT'S JUST A
PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCE. I WISH YOU
A LOT OF STRENGTH AND POSITIVE
ENERGY TO FOLLOW YOUR DREAM AND
GET THE DEGREE YOU WISH.

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DEAR STUDENT,
FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY THAT
YOU'RE STRONG AND LOVED IN THE
AFTERMATH OF WHAT YOU'VE GONE
THROUGH. SECONDLY, I RECOMMEND
GOING TO THE ADVICE HUB OR THE
STUDENT UNION, OR TRY AND SEEK
OUT ANY SECONDARY HELP TO GIVE
YOURSELF THE SUPPORT YOU NEED.
IT'S ALL GOING TO BE OK.



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DEAR STUDENT,
YOU ARE NOT ALONE. ESTRANGEMENT IS
MORE COMMON THAN YOU THINK.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE WIDEN AWARENESS OF
WHAT BEING ESTRANGED ACTUALLY
DOES AND WHAT CAN BE DONE TO
HELP. IF YOU WANT THINGS TO
CHANGE, YOU CAN'T ONLY TARGET
THIS INFO TO THE 'OPEN'
ESTRANGED STUDENTS.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THANK YOU FOR BEING SUPPORTIVE,
AND GIVING US A CHANCE TO BE
EDUCATED AND QUALIFIED DESPITE
THE HARD TIME WE'RE HAVING.
IT'S BEEN A GREAT JOURNEY AND
THANKS FOR SHAPING US INTO A
BETTER PERSON.

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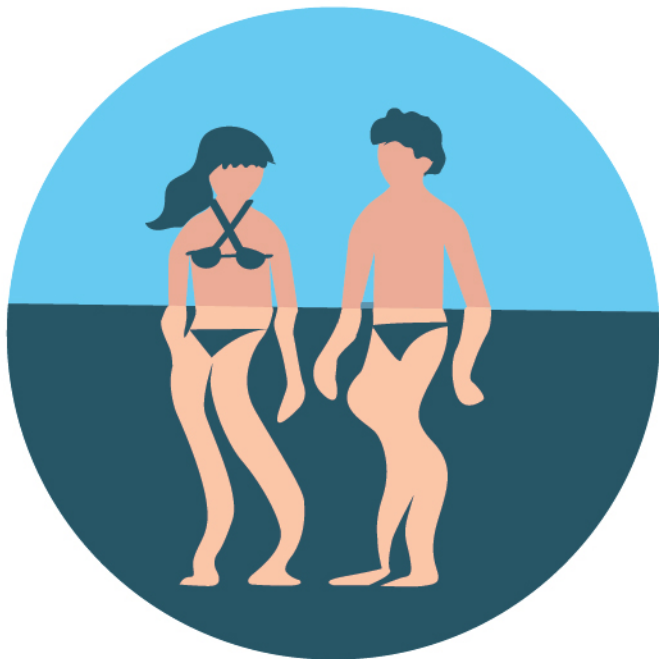
DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME,
EFFORT AND CONCERN FOR REACHING
OUT TO US. IT'S A GREAT GESTURE
THAT DEFINITELY WILL GO A LONG WAY.
YOU'RE KEEPING US POSITIVE, AND
KNOWING FAMILY DOESN'T NEED TO BE
RELATED. YOU GUYS ARE AMAZING. <3



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
TODAY WE HAVE BEEN EXPLORING THE
COMPLEXITIES OF DEFINING ESTRANGEMENT'
AND REALISE THAT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO
DO THIS IN A SATISFACTORY WAY.
HOW CAN WE ENSURE THAT WE MAINTAIN
MOMENTUM? PERHAPS CRITERIA IS USEFUL
FOR FUNDING (AS LONG AS WE CAN HAVE A
DEGREE OF FLEXIBILITY) BUT CAN WE AGREE
THAT WE DON'T JUST OFFER AN OPEN DOOR
BUT WE GO OUTSIDE OF THE ROOM AND
ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO COME IN AND TALK
TO US AND TO EACH OTHER - THERE ARE
MANY THINGS WE CAN OFFER.



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DEAR POLICY MAKERS,
ESTRANGEMENT IS DIFFERENT FOR
EACH PERSON, AS CAN FAMILY BE. BE
MORE FLEXIBLE IN YOUR CATEGORIES.

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DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
ESTRANGED STUDENTS (HOWEVER
DEFINED), INDICATE PASTORAL AND
PRACTICAL SUPPORT / GUIDANCE AS
A VARIABLE AND SPECIALIST
VOCATION. WHERE ESTRANGEMENT
SPEAKS OF RELATIONAL TRAUMA AND
INSTABILITY, THEN A CONSISTENT,
CLEAR AND RELIABLE POINT OF
OPTIONAL CONTACT BECOMES
HIGHLY RELEVANT.

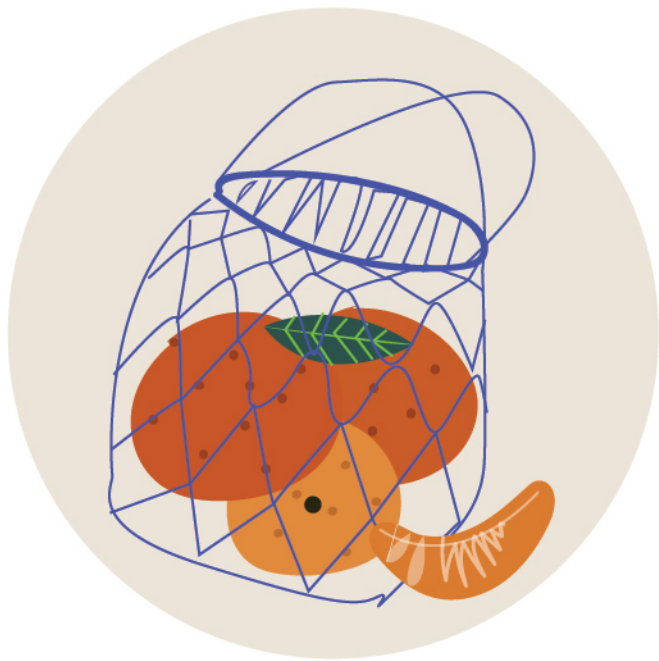
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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE MAKE US FEEL WELCOME!
PLEASE LOOK AT US LIKE HUMAN
BEINGS. PLEASE RELAX :)

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
STUDENTS WHO ARE ESTRANGED
FROM THEIR FAMILIES NEED
OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE THEIR
OWN SAFETY NETS. THESE
SAFETY NETS ARE CRUCIAL FOR
THEIR GRADUATE DECISION
MAKING AND DECISION TAKING.
YOU CAN HELP THEM BY
PROVIDING FINANCIAL AND
EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND
CREATE THE THREADS OF
THE SAFETY NET.



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DEAR WIDENING
PARTICIPATION TEAM,
CAN YOU PLEASE HELP US
COMMUNICATE WITH ALL THE
STUDENTS THAT MAY NEED
OUR SUPPORT.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,

STAND ALONE PLEDGE

12 MONTH ACCOMMODATION

POSSIBILITY OF SELF IDENTIFYING AT
REGISTRATION / MATRICULATION EACH
YEAR SO INFORMATION CAN BE SENT
(NOT PESTERING THE STUDENT).



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE COULD YOU SET A TARGET
FOR WHEN AND HOW TO COMMIT TO
THE STAND ALONE PLEDGE.
THANKS :)

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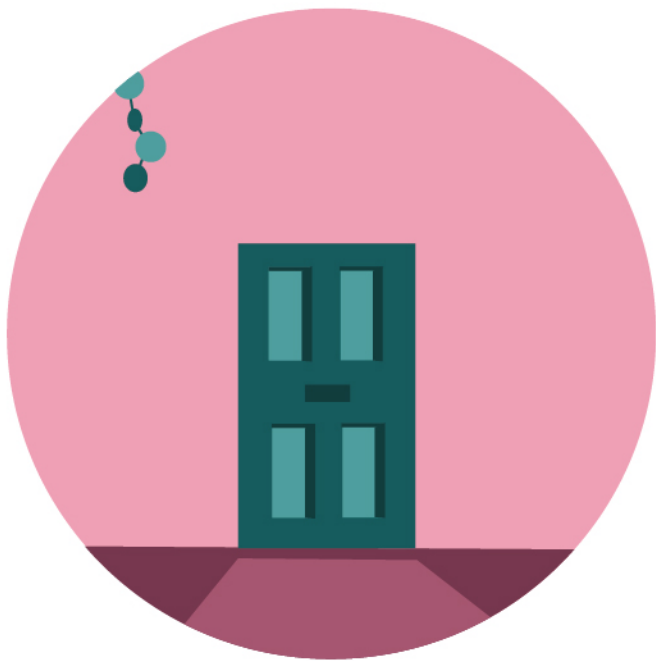
DEAR UNIVERSITY,
CAN WE PLEASE REVIEW OUR
CRITERIA FOR HARDSHIP FUNDS
FOR ESTRANGED STUDENTS, AS
THERE'S STRICT CRITERIA FOR
ADDITIONAL FUNDING.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
INVEST IN THERAPY AND
COUNSELLING SERVICES, AS THIS
WAS THE SUPPORT SERVICE MOST
ACCESSED BY ESTRANGED STUDENTS
IN THE HIDDEN VOICES SURVEY.

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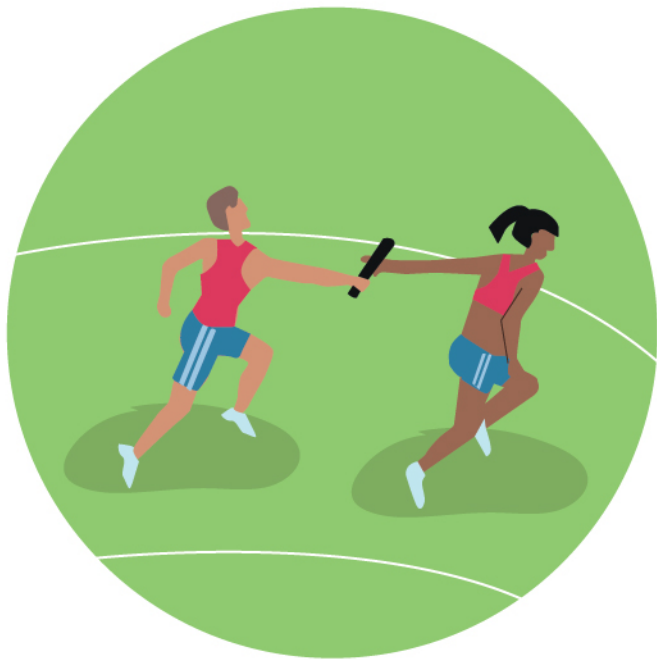
DEAR STUDENT,
DON'T BE AFRAID TO SEEK OUT
SUPPORT. FIND SOMEONE WHO WILL
FIGHT YOUR CORNER; STUDENT
PRESIDENT, MSP, CITIZEN'S ADVICE,
ADVOCATES. DON'T SUFFER IN
SILENCE, KNOCK ON DOORS AND
MAKE YOUR CHALLENGES KNOWN. THE
SUPPORT STILL ISN'T WHAT IT NEEDS
TO BE, BUT UNIS STILL HAVE A
RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU!



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DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
REMEMBER THAT EACH STUDENT
EXPERIENCE IS DIFFERENT. REMIND
YOURSELF THAT SOMETHING THAT
CAN BE HELPFUL / SUPPORTIVE TO
ONE STUDENT, MIGHT NOT BE TO
ANOTHER. APPRECIATE THE COURAGE
IT TAKES FOR SOMEONE TO SHARE
THEIR STORY. NEVER STOP
ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
SIGNING THE STAND ALONE PLEDGE
IS IMPORTANT, BUT ENSURING THAT
YOUR SUPPORT DEVELOPS AND
CONTINUES TO IMPROVE WITH YOUR
ESTRANGED STUDENTS IN MIND IS
VITAL! LET THE WHOLE INSTITUTION
WORK TOGETHER. :)



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**DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
AND STUDENT SERVICES / SUPPORT,
HAVE NAMED CONTACTS FOR SUPPORT /
ADVICE PRE AND POST ENTRY.
OPERATE CONTEXTUALISED ADMISSIONS!**



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DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
TODAY I HAVE LEARNT ABOUT THE
EXPERIENCES OF ESTRANGED STUDENTS
AND THEIR BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION IN
HIGHER EDUCATION. IT UPSET ME TO LEARN
THAT FOR MANY, FINANCIAL BARRIERS WERE
A SIGNIFICANT THREAT TO THEM. ON TOP OF
THAT, INSTITUTIONS FOLLOWING UNREALISTIC
CRITERIA OF ESTRANGEMENT ENFORCED WITH
A MONITORING OF VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS
THAT DISCOURAGES REBUILDING OF FAMILY
RELATIONSHIPS IS SHOCKING. PLEASE DO
ALL YOU CAN TO HELP NAVIGATE
THESE CHALLENGES.



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DEAR STUDENT,
PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THERE
WILL BE STAFF TO SUPPORT YOU IN
ANY WAY THAT YOU NEED. IF YOU HAVE
A PROBLEM RELATED TO YOUR
FINANCES, ACCOMMODATION, OR
ANYTHING ELSE, DO TRY TO FIND
SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP YOU.



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DEAR SAAS,
PLEASE MAKE YOUR SYSTEMS MORE
USER FRIENDLY AND TRANSPARENT.

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DEAR LECTURERS / TEACHERS,
PLEASE DO NOT ASSUME THAT
STUDENTS HAVE FAMILY SUPPORT, OR
CARERS WHO PROVIDE THEM WITH
SUPPORT.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE,
PLEASE PROVIDE A DEDICATED POINT OF
CONTACT WHO WILL COMMUNICATE WITH
ME AND SUPPORT ME THROUGH MY
STUDIES.

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DEAR STUDENT,
I HAVE LEARNED TODAY THAT
ESTRANGEMENT IS A COMPLEX
SITUATION AND CAN SEE WHY IT IS
DIFFICULT TO CATEGORISE PEOPLE WITH
A VIEW TO PROVIDE SUPPORT.
I TOTALLY AGREE THAT A FAMILY
SITUATION / UNIT SHOULD BE A POSITIVE
EXPERIENCE FOR ALL. I HOPE YOU CAN
FIND A POSITIVE NOTE ON YOUR
JOURNEY. ONCE YOU REACH YOUR
DESTINATION YOU KNOW WHERE YOU
WANT TO BE, WHAT YOU WANT TO HAVE,
AND ACHIEVE.



POSTCARD

DEAR STUDENT,
I DON'T CLAIM TO UNDERSTAND
WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN THROUGH OR
ARE GOING THROUGH. I CAN'T
REALLY KNOW HOW YOU FEEL OR
HAVE EXPERIENCE OF THE TRIALS
THAT YOU HAVE BEEN THROUGH. BUT
I DO PROMISE TO BELIEVE WHAT
YOU TELL ME AND TRY TO HELP YOU
AS MUCH AS I CAN, EVEN IF IT JUST
TO LISTEN. DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN!
(SENIOR ADVISER OF STUDIES).

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SEPTEMBER

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DEAR WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM,
PLEASE COULD YOU ARRANGE AND SET
A DATE FOR IN-HOUSE TRAINING AND
HOW TO BEST PUBLICIZE AVAILABLE
SUPPORT FOR ESTRANGED STUDENTS,
AND TRAIN STAFF TO RECOGNISE
MULTIFARIOUS FORMS OF
ESTRANGEMENT WHEN OFFERING
ADVICE. :)

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DEAR FAIR ACCESS,
PLEASE ADVERTISE YOUR EVENTS IN A
WAY THAT WILL MAKE ME FEEL MORE
LIKE I HAVE A PLACE IN THAT
ACTIVITY. PLEASE MAKE IT EASIER
FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND WHAT
SUPPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ME
IF I ATTEND THIS INSTITUTION.

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DEAR STUDENT,
THE WELFARE TEAM ARE ALWAYS
HERE TO SUPPORT YOU THROUGH
YOUR JOURNEY, IN MANY WAY, IF YOU
ARE FEELING OVERWHELMED PLEASE
DON'T HESITATE TO COME TO THE
OFFICE AND SEEK ASSISTANCE, AND
BE REASSURED THAT NO MATTER
WHAT, WE AIM TO HELP AND ASSIST
YOU IN CONFIDENCE.

THE WELFARE TEAM.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PLEASE UNDERSTAND THE
COMPLEXITIES OF ESTRANGEMENT
WHEN SUPPORTING YOUR STUDENTS.
THE STIGMA ATTACHED TO THIS IS
CRITICAL AND AS SUCH, MANY WILL NOT
COME FORWARD TO SEEK SUPPORT.
ALSO, PLEASE SET UP GUARANTOR
SCHEMES TO ALLOW ESTRANGED
STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE A SENSE OF
HOME AND SAFETY.



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DEAR STUDENT,
WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING CLEAR
ADVICE TO ESTRANGED STUDENTS. ENSURING
THAT ANY BURSARIES, STREAMS OF FUNDING
AND SUPPORT ARE COMMUNICATED TO
ESTRANGED STUDENTS ON ENTRY. WE ARE
ALSO COMMITTED TO CONSULTING ESTRANGED
STUDENTS TO DISCUSS WHICH TERMINOLOGY
AND WAYS OF ADVERTISING SUPPORT AND
EVENTS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THERE NEEDS TO BE MUCH MORE
COMMUNICATION ABOUT ESTRANGEMENT
BETWEEN TEACHERS, UNIVERSITIES, FUNDING
BODIES AND THOSE AFFECTED BY
ESTRANGEMENT. THE ONUS SHOULD NOT BE
ON THE ESTRANGED STUDENT TO SEEK OUT
HELP AND SUPPORT. IT SHOULD BE CLEARLY
VISIBLE ON UNIVERSITY WEBSITES, FROM
GUIDANCE TEACHERS AT SCHOOL AND FROM
WELFARE ADVISORS AT UNIVERSITIES AND
COLLEGES. AT PRESENT SO MUCH EMOTIONAL
LABOUR IS BEING DONE BY ESTRANGED
STUDENTS DUE TO THEIR LACK OF
CORPORATE PARENTING. ESTRANGEMENT
NEEDS TO BE SPOKEN ABOUT MUCH MORE.



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DEAR STUDENT,
YOU HAVE COME THIS FAR, JUST
KEEP PUNCHING.

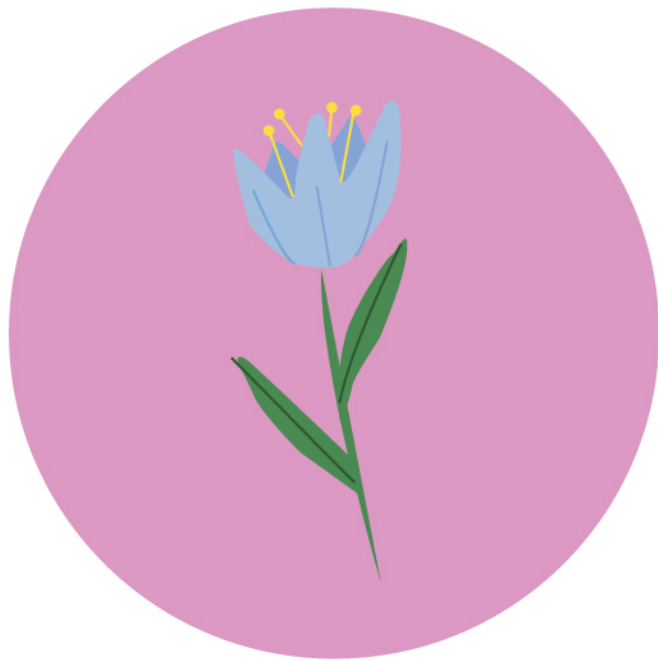
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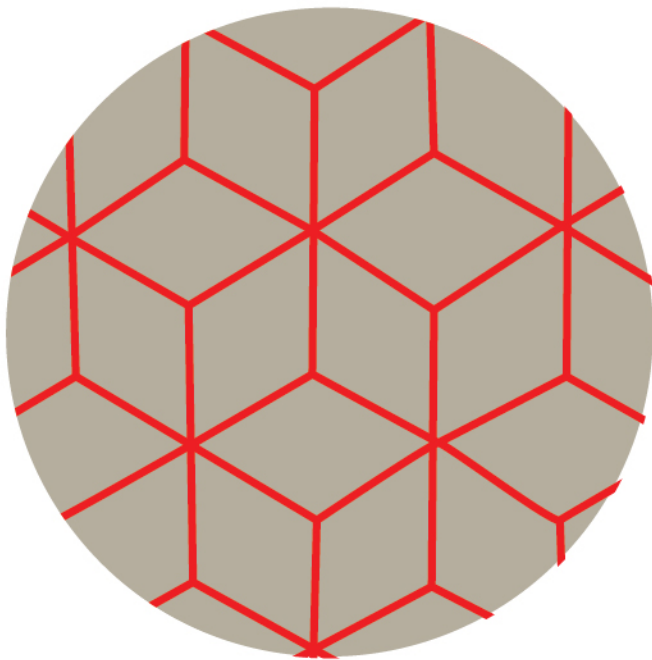
DEAR UNIVERSITY,
PROVIDE WITH AFFORDABLE
ACCOMMODATION AND GOOD
NURSERY SERVICE.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THANK YOU FOR BEING SENSITIVE
AND SUPPORTIVE TOWARDS MY
PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES, IT
MAKES MY TIME AT STRATHCLYDE
FEEL MORE AT EASE, AND I'M
THANKFUL FOR THE SUPPORT.



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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THINK ABOUT THE VARIOUS THREADS THAT
ARE REQUIRED TO BUILD A ROBUST
"SAFETY NET".
EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS -
NAMED CONTACT, CP, RELATIONSHIP
FINANCIAL SUPPORTS -
ACCOMMODATION, SPECIFIC FUNDS
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS-
INCREASING AWARENESS ACROSS THE
BOARD, SUPPORT TO LEARN IN OTHER WAYS.
PRACTICAL SUPPORTS-
CONTINUOUS ACCOMMODATION, MOVING
HOME, RELATIONSHIP BUILDING,
TIME OFF -
FOR RESPONSIBILITIES WE HAVE THAT
OTHERS MAY NOT.

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DEAR UNIVERSITY,
THANK YOU FOR ALL THE SUPPORT.
HOPE YOU KEEP UP THE WORK.
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